

Applicants : Petar R. Dvornic et al.  
Appln. No. : 09/888,736  
Page : 3

**REMARKS**

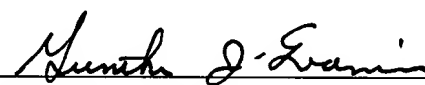
It is respectfully submitted that the above amendments do not constitute new matter or modify the scope of the claims, but instead only modify the specification to conform with conventional nomenclature. The hydrolyzable groups of a silicon compound are normally regarded to be the groups bonded to the silicon atom, and do not include the silicon atom. It is believed that those having ordinary skill in the art would understand that Applicants are disclosing compounds having conventional hydrolyzable groups.

Respectfully submitted,

PETAR R. DVORNIC ET AL.

By: Price, Heneveld, Cooper,  
DeWitt & Litton

November 13, 2003  
Date

  
Gunther J. Evanina  
Registration No. 35 502  
695 Kenmoor, S.E.  
Post Office Box 2567  
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49501  
(616) 949-9610

GJE/daw